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COVID-19 Related Updates – Town Hall Hours

Town Hall is open to the general public Monday Through Friday, 9 AM to 2 PM ONLY. Please note that these hours may change to protect the health and safety of our staff in light of the recently increased spread of COVID-19. Masks are required to enter Town Hall regardless of vaccination.

Appointments can still be made on an as-needed basis from **9:00 to 4:00**. Please take precautions when coming into Town Hall. If you feel sick or have any COVID-related symptoms, we ask that you stay at home and continue using the dropbox, online, and phone payment options. You may also call us at (302) 337-7135 or email at townofbridgeville@gmail.com, and we will get back to you as quickly as possible. Check our website and social media pages for updates often.

For payment options – payments may be mailed (please allow time for delivery), placed in the black drop box by the back door of Town Hall, made online at Bridgeville.delaware.gov, **or you can call Town Hall to make a payment over the phone. Payments must be received by the**

In Memoriam

We want to take a moment to honor William "Billy" Jefferson, Sr., who passed away on December 31, 2021. Billy was a past Commissioner for the Town of Bridgeville beginning in 2001, Commission President Pro Tempore from 2006 to 2008, and Commission President in 2009 and 2010. He was a deeply committed member of our community and will be missed. Our hearts go out to the Jefferson family during this time. For anyone wanting to read the full obituary, it can be read on the Pippin Funeral home website, or at this link - <http://www.pippinfuneralhome.com/obituary/WilliamBill-JeffersonSr>

Bridgeville Public Library

bridgevillepubliclibrary.com (302) 337-7401

- Story Book Corner- Story Time with Ms. Hilary is every Tuesday at 10 AM for ages 3-5 and Wednesday @ 10 AM for ages Birth-2. The themes for January: 4th and 5th-New Years; 11th and 12th-Polar Bears; 18th and 19th – Winter; 25th and 26th – Winter Clothes.
- Gentle Yoga – Yoga will be offered through the month of January on Wednesdays at 6 PM. Thank you to the Friends of the Bridgeville Library for funding this.
- Teen/Tween Book Tastings- Each Wednesday, starting January 12 through February 9, you will sample different book genres and cuisine. For ages 10-17, these sessions will broaden your reading palate and delight your taste buds. Registration is required.
- Adult Craft Night- Tuesday, January 11 from 6–8 PM. We will be making a rolled book page wreath. Registration is required.
- Family Fun Night – Thursday, January 20 from 6–8 PM "BINGO for Books". Registration is required.
- Little League Sign-ups- Wednesday, January 12 from 6–8 PM in the Reading Lounge.
- Delaware Head Huggers- The library is supporting this by accepting bags or boxes of handmade, new chemo caps from patrons. For more info, please visit www.delawareheadhuggers.org
- The library will be closed on Monday, January 17.

**-For more details on these programs,
see the library's website or Facebook page-**

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And also, **Nextdoor**



**Commission Meetings are held on the second Monday of every month at 7:00 PM.
Commission Workshops are held on the last Monday of every month at 5:00 PM.**

Virtual meeting links and supporting documentation can be found with each agenda posted on our website one week prior, at bridgeville.delaware.gov.



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Important dates

January 10 - E.D.C. Meeting

5 PM - Town Hall/Zoom

January 10 - Commission Meeting

7 PM - Library/Zoom

January 17 - Town Hall Closed

Martin Luther King Jr. Day

January 18 - Planning and Zoning

6 PM - Library/Zoom

January 25 - W&S Bills Due

January 31 - Commission Workshop

5 PM - Library/Zoom

*Meetings: The public is asked to attend by Zoom if possible – limited seating available on a first-come, first-serve basis.

We want to hear from you!

Out of the many lessons we've learned from the pandemic – one of the most important has been the value and strength of coming together as a community to get through difficult times. So, we are starting 2022 by identifying areas of possible improvement – and that starts with you. Is there missing information you'd like to see featured in our newsletter? Do you have ideas for the community? We want to hear your positive and creative thoughts! Please write to us at townofbridgeville@gmail.com and be a part of the change you want to see.

March 5, 2022 Election

The Bridgeville Municipal Election will be held on **Saturday, March 5, 2022**. Notices for the solicitation of candidates will be published by January 13. The Bridgeville Commissioners have established five Election Voting Districts for Municipal Elections. This year Districts #1, #2, and #3 will vote for a candidate from their district to represent them on the Commission for a two-year term. If you are uncertain of your district, a voting district map is available for review at Bridgeville Town Hall and Bridgeville.delaware.gov.

As a reminder:

The following qualifications apply to all candidates: (1) U.S. Citizen at least 21 years of age on or before the Election date; (2) Bridgeville Resident and Registered Voter in the Municipality for at least one year immediately preceding Election date; (3) Registered Voter in the State of Delaware; (4) Live within the Election Voting District they wish to represent; (5) Not convicted of a Felony. **Prospective candidates must file a written letter of intent with the Commission President or Secretary, along with other filing requirements, by 4:30 PM on February 3, 2021.**

The following qualifications apply to all voters: Every U.S. citizen who is at least eighteen years of age and has resided in Bridgeville at least thirty days shall have one vote in their Voting District Election, provided they have registered on the "Books of Registered Voters" of the Town of Bridgeville and is a registered voter in the State of Delaware. A person may register at the Town Hall Monday through Friday, 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM. Please call in advance. **No person registered after the close of business on February 23, 2021, shall be allowed to vote in the 2021 Municipal Election.**

Absentee Balloting will be available for this election from February 18 through noon on March 4 at the Bridgeville Town Hall, 101 N. Main St.

For any questions, please contact Town Hall at (302) 337-7135 or at townofbridgeville@gmail.com.

Current Commissioners:

District 1- Marlene Saunders

District 2- Tom Moran

District 2- Bruce Smith

Winter Weather Reminders

Snow: Snow/ice must be removed within twenty-four (24) hours of it ceasing to accumulate, according to the Town Code. The owner or occupant of any building or lot abutting a public sidewalk is responsible for keeping it clear of snow/ice. Additionally, for your letter carrier to provide you with uninterrupted service, residents must clear the approach to their mailbox.

Snow Plowing /Salting of Roads: When the snow begins to fall, residents having access to their yard from an alleyway must park their vehicles there. If a driveway does not exist, all residents must move vehicles to the even-numbered (house numbers) side of the street. When the odd-numbered side of the street has been cleared of snow/ice, residents must move vehicles to the street's odd-numbered side.

Please use ice melt on sidewalks instead of salt. If you are out of town for an extended period during the winter months, you must make arrangements for your sidewalks to be shoveled in your absence.

Redistricting

With each decennial census, the Town must redraw its district lines. In January, town staff will be working with the University of Delaware's Center for Applied Demography and Survey Research to analyze the 2020 Census Data. A series of public hearings will follow before districts are adopted, currently estimated for completion Summer of 2022.

Contact Information

Town Hall: (302) 337-7135 Fax: (302) 337-7817

For After Hour Emergencies please call the Police Dept.

Police Department:(302) 337-8302

Non-Emergency:(302) 337-8305

Fax: (302) 337-8359

Bridgeville Fire Dept. (302) 337-7272

Fire, Ambulance, Police: 911

State Police, Troop 5 (302) 337-1090

Sussex County: (302) 855-7700

Bridgeville Public Library: (302) 337-7401